

REMARKS

Applicants have cancelled claims 9 and 10 and incorporated their limitations into independent base claim 8. Since the Examiner only objected to claim 10 as being dependent from a rejected claim, claims 8 and 11 as amended are now allowable. These amendments do not raise new issues and thus should be entered. Accordingly, this amendment places this application in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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